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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Crisis Management Task Force

1. Cord Meyer convened an abbreviated version of the Carver Crisis Management Task Force. He read us a memo outlining his understanding of what had happened at the meeting with Mr. Bush on the 16th. He has conferred with Hank Knoche and the following conclusions have been reached:

a. The DCI has asked [REDACTED] and the IC Staff to address themselves to the DCI's role in wartime. They will also do some work on the transitional period to wartime (which is the crux of the matter, and I hope they solve it). [REDACTED] will chair this Task Force.

b. The original Carver Task Force will be maintained under the chairmanship of Cord Meyer. It is to develop a sequential checklist listing Standing Operating Procedures for crisis management.

c. The activities of the [REDACTED] and Meyer Task Forces will not be surfaced to the Community at large until at least January.

2. Each member of the Meyer Task Force is to make a contribution to [REDACTED] of the IG Staff who will be preparing the first cut at the checklist. I have volunteered (?) to develop some single-line points regarding the NIO's role during a crisis. I will do this in consultation with those NIOs who have recently had experience along these lines.

3. The group is to meet again next Monday. My contribution to [REDACTED] is due Thursday.

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